

Festo Fellow

Festo GmbH is the European market leader in automation technology, and employs over 10,000 people around the world. Festo already began making business contacts in the CEE region in the 1960s, back when automation technology was still in its earliest stages. Since then, Festo has become a respected partner of many CEE companies, and the Vienna location is the hub for all of its CEE activities. Today, Festo is highly successful in the entire CEE region, defined as Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland, Slovenia, Serbia and Montenegro, Croatia, Bulgaria, Romania, Russia, Ukraine, and Belarus.

Objectives:

- Providing support for a research project focusing on Central and Eastern Europe
- Publication of results in a respected academic journal
- A research stay at one of the CEE partner universities is desirable

Eligibility:

- Business/economics-related research with a CEE focus
- All postdoctoral researchers currently employed by WU are eligible to apply
- The applicant must be employed by WU throughout the duration of the entire project, and the publication bonus can also only be paid out to WU employees.

Please note that the [grant conditions](#) apply.

Funding per application:

€ 15,000.00 for the research, € 5,000.00 bonus after successful publication

Project expenses include travel, materials and personnel (leave of absence and/or payment of external teaching staff to allow applicant to focus on research are possible).

The Festo Fellowship grant is awarded in two parts. The first part is used to finance the applicant's research, and the second part is awarded as a bonus after successful publication of the results.

Application: only via the [online application portal](#)

Please include the following:

- A detailed project proposal, including details of the planned publication
- A financial statement and time schedule
- A CV and a list of publications

Application deadline:

Awarded annually; December 10, 2018

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Every grant recipient has to hand in a report on his or her work as a FESTO Fellow. All funds provided must be properly accounted for. We are planning to carry out a range of PR activities in connection with the awarding of the FESTO Fellowships (e.g. press release, report in the WU Research Newsletter, public lecture).

Decision:

The award decision is made by the Rector's Council together with representatives of FESTO GmbH; please allow approx. 6-8 weeks for processing.

Target group

- Post-docs
- Habilitation candidates
- Professors

Eligible for funding

- Scholarship payments
- Stays abroad
- Projects
- Personnel expenses
- Travel expenses
- Equipment and supply costs
- WU in-house funding